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Your only Chance in a lifetime to hear CHAMP CLARK

His name is about as familiar as Bill Taft's the President of the U. S. Hear him at the Phelps
Opera House Oct. 11, at Meade at 2 o'clock P. M. Admission \$1.00. Secure your tickets early.

JUDGE MADISON IS DEAD

Suffers an Attack of Heart Failure While
at Breakfast

DEATH FOLLOWS WITHIN A FEW SECONDS

Funeral services Friday afternoon at two o'clock from the Presbyterian Church
Dodge City, Kansas

Edmond H. Madison, Representative from the Seventh Kansas District, died at his home in Dodge City, Monday, September 18 from heart disease. Mr. Madison was attacked while eating breakfast and death followed within a few seconds.

Mr. Madison was born in Plymouth, Illinois, December, 18 1865, was educated in the common schools and at the age of 18 taught school.

In 1885 he moved to Wichita and studied law with G. C. W. Jones and in 1888 was admitted to the bar. In the same year he was elected County Attorney of Ford county and served for two terms. In 1900 Governor Stanley appointed him Judge of the Thirty-first district, comprising Ford, Kiowa, Clark, Meade, Gray, and Commanche counties. This position he held for six years.

When the Seventh District was divided and the Eighth was created Judge Madison's name

was the only one mentioned for the representative of the "Big Seventh." He was elected to the Sixtieth Congress in 1906, was re-elected in 1908 and again in 1910.

In the last Congress Mr. Madison was made a member of the committee on rules, one of the most important in the House.

In the special session just closed he became a prominent and forceful figure. He was named as a member of the committee to investigate the sugar trust, but from that committee he has been removed by death before he had the opportunity to conclude his findings in the case.

For a number of years Mr. Madison has been a prominent factor in the politics in the west section of the state.

His energy and ability are the cause for his rapid advancement and have won for him a place higher than that occupied by the majority of Congressmen.

He was a special friend of

President Taft, Theodore Roosevelt and other men of national reputation.

What the future may have held in store for him we can only dream. In the judgment of a Higher Judge he has finished his labors here, just at a time at which to his friends he seems to be most needed.

In the death of Judge Madison the state and more especially the district which he represented, has lost a valuable man and one whose place will be hard to fill.

Nearly every resident of this county knew Judge Madison, and it was with a feeling of regret that they received the intelligence of his death.

His wife, three daughters and one son, his mother and two brothers survive him.

The funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2:00 p. m. at the Presbyterian church, Dodge City, Kansas, conducted by Rev. Thompson, who is an old friend of Mr. Madison.

M. & M. Drug Co.

Gentlemen

We have some of the finest shaving
Brushes obtainable at very low prices.

The bristles in these brushes are set
in hard vulcanized rubber and we
guarantee that they will not come out.

"We Want Your Business"

High School Notes.

The enrollment of the city schools has now reached the two hundred mark and has passed over. On Monday of this week, there were two hundred and seven pupils present in the building. They were divided among the several grades as follows:

Primary	49
Third and fourth grades	36
Fifth and sixth grades	30
Seventh and eighth grades	47
High school	45
Total	207

Rev. Baker spoke at the morning exercise this week.

We wish that some one would circulate a petition to have music taught in the schools. We need it.

Gene McMeel, a former student of the Meade High School, now a medical student of the Rush Medical school, lectured to the physiology class this week.

A half a dozen college and high school penants now adorn the walls of the assembly room. Several more out-of-town students have promised the flags of their Alma Maters for the high school.

The domestic science department is having all the troubles of the new house wife. The stove won't bake but it will smoke, owing to a few bricks lodged in the flue. The table tops are not as yet here, but some time in the future we expect the department to prepare a few "square meals."

The foot-ball boys are hard at work and expect to play the Pratt high school a week from this coming Friday. Most of last year's team are back in school and there is no reason why we should not have a winning team this fall. The boys met this week and elected the following officers: Roy Farrell captain and Bernard McMeel, manager. Mr. Hamilton will act as coach.

The literary societies have been formed in the high school. It is the aim of these societies to give six programs, each, during the year. This arrangement will assist in regular rhetorical work, which is required of all the students, and will also put us in trim for the debate and oratorical contests that we have later in

the year. The programs of these societies will be open and the public will be invited to attend.

The apparatus for the physics laboratory has been ordered and it is expected to arrive at any time. Ample supplies have been provided so as to meet the requirements of the state University. Fifty books, thanks to Mrs. Haigh and the teacher's Association, have been added to our library during the past week. Orders have been placed for sixty more volumes of an educational and historical character. These, all together, give us an excellent working library for this year.

The attendance of the school for the first two weeks has been excellent. Perhaps no other factor enters into and plays such an important part in the organization and system of a school, as attendance. There is nothing so discouraging to a teacher as to have a portion of the class missing and irregular. Parents, do all you can to keep your children in school all the time and you may rest assured that the teacher will appreciate your effort. If it is necessary for your child to be absent be sure to send an excuse to the teacher, and also kindly explain the cause of absence.

It is with considerable satisfaction, that we note the name of "Meade high school" listed by the state among those schools that have met the requirements of the Normal training course and also the Industrial course. This should be of special interest to the young people of Meade, who are planning on teaching within the next few years. According to the state law, in the year 1917, all Kansas teachers must be graduates of some accredited high school. The student who takes advantage of the Normal training will not only meet this requirement but will also receive a state certificate that will enable them to teach for life in the state of Kansas without further examinations.

COAL COAL COAL

Lump coal \$6.90 per ton.
Nut coal \$6.20 per ton.
The above prices at car which will be here about the 25th.
John Keith.

Steam Laundry Closed

The Meade Steam laundry will for the present be closed. Mr. Caughlin recently purchased the plant from Mr. James Smith and thought it best to close it down for the present.

New Manager.

The Power house has a new manager. C. H. Burford has had charge of the plant for the past several months and has been a most faithful man in the position he occupied and has given excellent satisfaction, but his going to California made it necessary for the Co. to get someone else. R. A. Brannon is the man they have selected to fill the place. Owing to numerous other duties, he will not have active charge. Ammon Kriesle will operate the machinery at the power house and Mr. Brannon will take care of your light troubles, so if you any, report them to him.

Lyceum Course.

The Arena Club have again taken charge of the Lyceum course. They had it in charge last winter and their efforts resulted in success both socially and financially. This year they have contracted with the Redpath-Slayton Lyceum Course, which is a more expensive course than they had last year and promises to be much better. Their first number will be on Wednesday, Oct. 11, and on this date the people of Meade county will have the opportunity of hearing Champ Clark. His lecture will be given on the afternoon of the above date, for the reason that it was impossible for him to lecture here in the evening owing to the fact that he had already contracted elsewhere for that evening. This is the only number which will appear in the afternoon.

The list of attractions are as follows:

Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 11, Champ Clark.

December 6—Mozark Concert Company.

January 10, 1912,—The Hus-sars.

March 7,—Lyric Entertainers.

From the list it will be seen that there is only to be one lecture and that by a noted man.

Season tickets will be on sale in due time.

Alexander Thornburn

of Martin's Ferry, Ohio, left home July 26, 1911, for the West and on July 31st was in Galva, Ill., and has not been heard from since. He has a trunk and suit case.

Friends are becoming alarmed for his welfare. His oldest sister is seriously ill and he is wanted at home.

Anyone knowing his whereabouts will confer a favor by writing his sister,
Ella Thornburn,
Martin's Ferry, Ohio.

Attention

Something new, Something valuable

We have purchased over two thousand hand colored post cards. These views are taken from paintings and will be appreciated by everyone

HOW TO OBTAIN THEM

Anyone registering at our store either by telephone, letter, or in person, will receive one of these cards each month for one year and each card will be worth 1-2 percent in trade at our store, or, at the end of the year you will get a 6 per cent discount no matter what you buy.

All you have to do is to send us your name

You get your cards back

KELLEY OPTICAL CO.

Meade to Have a Tailor Shop

Wm. T. Crowder, of Stratford, Texas, has concluded to locate in Meade. He will establish a tailor shop, and will also do cleaning and pressing. As yet he has not fully determined upon a location, but will perhaps rent the Cones building.

Mr. Crowder expects to move his family here and make this his home.

The News welcomes Mr. Crowder and family to Meade, and hopes that he may do a successful business in his line.

Our Correspondents

We very much appreciate our correspondents and would like to have one from every part of the county. Of those which we have we are going to ask that you mail your letters so as to reach us not later than Wednesday. We want these items in each issue and when they get here later than Wednesday we are forced to leave them until the next week.

When in Meade call at our office and we will supply you with paper and stamps. Always write your items under the same head and give the direction and distance you are from Meade.

Married

On last Tuesday, September 19th, 1911 at 1:30 p. m. by Probate Judge J. H. Randolph at his office; Mr. George J. Otto and Miss Elizabeth Johnson, both of Fowler, Kansas, were united in marriage.

Miss Johnson is a daughter of Mrs. William Johnson, who resides near Fowler.

Mr. Otto is a brother of Ed. Chas. and Don Otto.

Both these young people are well known and have a host of friends who join The News in extending congratulations.

Honor for Uncle Dick

The Hutchinson News says: "Some of the most famous horses in the country are being shown at the Kansas State fair. Possibly the most famous of them all is 'Headlight Morgan' the best known horse of that kind in the middle-west."

"Uncle Dick" Skinner, the owner, arrived from Meade county Saturday evening with this famous horse and three of his get. This horse is now 18 years old. He was formerly regarded as only a common cow horse, and until he was eight years old, was used in the hardest kind of service by cow punchers on the ranches; but to-day money would hardly buy him.